

tion would regard a suspension of work under the conditions that now exist as not only a violation of every contract but as an abrogation of most of the contracts now in force between members of the association and individual unions or associations of unions in the building trades. It would make no difference in this case whether the unions should claim a "suspension of work" for a specific cause or declare a general sympathetic strike.

AFFECTS 70,000 IN BUILDING TRADES.

There are about 70,000 men in the building trades union which are managed by the Consolidated Board of Business Agents in the various bureaus. Ross D. Thompson is secretary of the Manhattan Board. He is one of a committee of five which represented the building trades unions in yesterday's conference at the Continental Hotel. The committee will report back to the full board next Tuesday.

The unions tied up in the agreement quoted above are:

Architectural ironworkers, carpenters, cement laborers, composition roofers and water-proofer, cut stone industry, electrical workers, heat and coal insulation, hoisting engineers, house movers and shippers, marble industries, bricklayers, sheet metal industries, metal furring and lathing industry, mosaic workers, painters and decorators, plasterers, plumbers, steam fitters, stone setters and tile layers.

CONTRACTS WON BY STRIKE AND MISERY.

The unions in the garment making trades are tied up in carefully drawn and rigid contracts, the outcome of which leaves out strikes, misery, starvation, bankruptcy and even bloodshed. L. N. Getzakay, Vice President and general manager of the Cloth and Suit Manufacturers' Association, the organization of employers which is bound in contracts with the union, said:

"Our union has taken no action. Nobody has any right to speak for No. 6 but No. 6 itself in meeting assembled. We will speak when the proper time comes."

We are showing our sympathy with the rank and file by giving our moral support up to the present time. As to what our action will be about a sympathetic strike nobody can say what No. 6 will do until official action has been taken. Our next meeting is scheduled for Oct. 6, but a special meeting could be called at any time."

It was learned from other officials that no call had been issued for a special meeting, and that a call would issue only on request of members of the union or of a majority of the officers of "Big 6." Thus far there has been no such request.

TEXT OF THE ARBITRATION AGREEMENT.

The arbitration agreement between No. 6 and the organizations of employers is as follows:

"All members of New York Branch No. 1, Printers League of America, shall be represented before the Government by New York Typographical Union No. 6 against walkouts, strikes, boycotts or any other form of concerted interference with the peaceful operation of all departments coming under the jurisdiction of said union; and it is further provided that said last named union and its union to arbitrate any and all differences that may arise under this agreement between said league and said union, if those differences cannot be first settled by conciliation."

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NOT SUBJECT TO FEDERATIONS CALL.

Official of the Allied Printing Trades Council said to-day that the local printing trades are not subject to a strike call from the Central Federated Union. Such a call would be regarded only as a request and not as an order. It would be necessary before complying with it to hold special meetings of all the unions in the council.

Besides, it would be necessary, before striking, to have the sanction of the International authorities.

P. J. O'Brien, one of the organizers of the Amalgamated Association, announced this afternoon at the Continental Hotel that 1,000 longshoremen had gone on strike on the East River piers. He insisted he had been so "informed" from an authentic source.

"I am informed that the Amalgamated disclosed that every pier along the East River front was swarming with longshoremen and that there hadn't been a whisper of a strike. The longshoremen at this time are making bigger money than ever before, and the sentiment among the workers is against any sympathetic strike."

While longshoremen and their unions appeared reluctant to discuss the terms of their contracts with employers—in some instances they positively refused this information—the employers themselves gave the information freely.

CRISIS BLAMED ON SHONTS AND HEDLEY.

Visitors to the heads of manufacturing and building concerns disclosed they are of the opinion that Messrs. Shonts and Hedley made a mistake in starting their fight on union issues. The employers were well spoken in their condemnation of the Interborough officials, and said that in the event the general strike becomes a reality they would hold Messrs. Shonts and Hedley responsible.

"We have had to put up with the unions," was the way one of these big employers of labor put it, "and Shonts and Hedley are no better than we are."

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Divorced Couple, Each to Remarry, Meet in License Bureau.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Sept. 23.—Married, divorced and about to marry other partners, Mrs. Grace Dudley Seaman of Albany, N. Y., met her former husband, Lloyd Seaman, in the Marriage License Bureau here yesterday.

Mrs. Seaman was arranging for her wedding day, when she becomes the widow of Dr. George Eliot Norton of New York. Mr. Seaman was inquiring how long a woman had to live in Syracuse before she could obtain a license. He did not disclose the name of his proposed wife.

The couple did not speak as they passed by.

Killed by Auto at Crossing.

A man about fifty-five years old, five feet four inches tall, clean shaven, with gray hair and eyes and weighing about 150 pounds died in Flower Hospital at noon to-day after he was run down by an automobile driven by J. Johnson, No. 323 Concord Avenue. His identity could not be learned.

He wore a black coat, gray pants, brown fedora hat and black shoes. He was crossing Plaza Avenue at Thirty-fifth Street when the machine struck him.

Student Ends Life in Bronx.

Albert Feine, twenty-three years old, a student, committed suicide to-day by shooting himself from the transom of the dining room of his home at No. 1629 Washington Avenue.

FRENCH FIGHT WAY INTO COMBLES AS BRITISH PRESS ON.

Paris and London Both Report Marked Successes Along the Somme Front.

MANY DEAD ON FIELD.

Big Artillery Battle Is Reported Raging South of the River.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—French troops fought their way last night into the town of Combles on the Somme front, while the British drove forward along the highway leading to Bapaume.

Gen. Haig reported this afternoon that east of Courcelette a strongly fortified system of German trenches was captured on a half mile front. The newly captured positions are linked up with those captured between Flers and Martinpuich in the previous night's assault.

In the two nights' fighting the British line was pushed forward on a front of a mile and a half in the direction of Bapaume.

It is reported on high authority that the Greek Government has sent word to the allies that it is ready to enter the war on their side.

ATHENS, Sept. 23.—Allied troops are within a hour's march of the Serbian town of Kenali, just across the Florina-Monastir railway. It is believed the Serbians apparently reorganized during the night and launched fresh attacks early yesterday.

In Transylvania the Teutonic War Office announced victories over the Allies. German forces have captured the Kuman Pass through the Transylvanian Alps and now threaten Roumania with a fresh invasion on the north.

ROME, Sept. 23 (via London).—The retreat of the German army under Field Marshal von Mackensen in the Roumanian province of Dobrujia continues, according to a telegram received by the Wireless Press to-day from Switzerland. The Danube fortress of Silesia recently captured by the Germans and Bulgarians is said to have been recaptured by the Russian and Romanian forces.

BERLIN, Sept. 23 (via London).—German troops won three points to 22 in the battle of the River Enns, winning the battle between Anras, French, and troops commanded by Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria was resumed yesterday, says to-day's German official statement. The French attacked the Combles-Rancourt line and the British attempted to advance near Courcelette, but neither force, the statement says, gained any success.

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Maude Malone, Who Paraded With "Scab" Banner, Adjudged Guilty of Disorderly Conduct.

Magistrate Evans, in the Centre Street Police Court to-day, adjudged Miss Maude Malone, suffragist, guilty of disorderly conduct and imposed a fine of \$10 on her for parading up and down the uptown subway platform at Brooklyn Bridge, yesterday, wearing a banner inscribed "Don't Be a Scab." Miss Malone paid the sum under protest, giving notice to the Magistrate that she intended to appeal from his decision "to the United States Supreme Court if necessary."

Several Interborough Railway employees testified Miss Malone had attracted crowds of from twenty-five to thirty-five for a period of fifteen minutes. They admitted, however, that she had not spoken to any one before Magistrate Evans imposed sentence. G. T. Goldthwaite, counsel for the Interborough, made a plea to have Miss Malone imprisoned, classifying her as a public nuisance.

DODGE PLANS AVIATION CAMP FOR COLLEGE MEN.

Action Likely Following Conference of Judge Wadham and Swann's Assistants.

Observers about the Criminal Courts Building to-day were of the opinion that if something did not happen to Theodore P. Shonts on Monday because of his action in sending pamphlets and clippings to the Grand Jury which might influence their action on strike violence, it would not be the fault of Judge Wadham and the assistants of District Attorney Swann.

Justice Wadham was in his chambers all day. In consultation with him were Acting District Attorney Dooling and Assistant District Attorney Robert Johnstone. Clerks were busy bringing them law books dealing with Grand Jury procedure. Mr. Swann, motoring in New Jersey, took part in discussions from time to time by telephone.

Foreman William E. Church of the Grand Jury sent to Judge Wadham, unopened, a letter he had received bearing the stamp of the New York Railways Company, President's office.

It contained editorials demanding the suppression of violence and the record of the decision of Justice Fitch of the court, to the effect that the Grand Jury had assaulted a conductor to five days in the workshop.

CONEY PROMOTER IS HELD.

Buyer of Stock Says Capt. Stern Deceived Him.

Capt. Alphonse Stern, promoter of the proposed Whitney-by-the-Sea Hotel, near Sea Gate, Coney Island, which is planned to be a Coney Island within Coney Island and to cost \$4,000,000, was held yesterday by Magistrate Herbert in the Coney Island Police Court as a fugitive from justice. In the interim extradition papers will be sought to take him to New York, N. Y., for alleged fraudulent sale of stock.

The complainant is Henry Zurith, a manufacturing jeweler of Park Row, who said he sold him sixty shares of stock in the hotel scheme at \$5 a share on the representation that he owned the property on which the hotel was to be built.

They were taken to Ferdinand Hospital, but he will be able to leave this evening.

Ernest Lang, driver of the coal truck, miscalculated the width of the roadway and his truck hit the lawyer's machine.

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LAWYER BRADY HURT IN AUTO.

Hurled Through Windshield—Two Companions Injured.

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ARE YOU HAVING TROUBLE WITH YOUR SKIN?

CONTINUE ADVANCE INTO KAISER'S POSSESSIONS IN AFRICA.

LIBREVILLE, Sept. 23.—An extensive invasion of German East Africa by Portuguese troops is reported in an official statement issued by the War Office, which says:

"After the passage of the Rovuma River our columns advanced eight miles and seized Katibus and the German barracks and then proceeded toward Nacala. The column reached Taketo on the Rovuma River, marching toward the Mombasa Bay. The enemy retreated in the direction of Siswara, west of Lindi. Be it known that the natives willingly accepted Portuguese domination."

Germany declared war on Portugal on March 9.

HARVE DE GRACE RESULTS.

FIRST RACE—Selling: maiden two-

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\$12.50 place, \$5.00; second: Lady

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Archibald, Althea, Sea Beach, Blue

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WOODBINE RESULTS.

SECOND RACE—\$700 added: three-

year-olds; fillies; six furlongs—Glorie-

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THE MILDEST CIGARETTE.

GERMANS TAKE DUTCH AND BRITISH STEAMERS

Prins Hendrik With Eighty Passengers and Colchester Sent to Zeebrugge.

THE HAGUE, Sept. 23.—The Germans have captured the Dutch steamer Prins Hendrik, bound from London to Flushing, and have taken her into Zeebrugge with her eighty passengers.

Berlin Reports Battle at Point Where Victory on Thursday Was Claimed.

ATTACKS REPULSED.